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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re the Application of:

Tomoo TAKAHARA et al.

Serial No. 10/784,989

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For: CHROMATIC DISPERSION COMPENSATION CONTROLLING SYSTEM

SECOND PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The specification as amended below with replacement paragraphs shows added text with underlining and deleted text with ~~striketrough~~.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 20, with the following paragraph:

22. Change in the chromatic dispersion of a transmission line accompanying the switch of a route or a wavelength.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 19, line 13, with the following paragraph:

~~23.~~ Change in a transmission line chromatic dispersion due to a change in PCD accompanying in a change in higher-order PMD.

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 59, line 5, with the following paragraph: